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CADET DUNBAR KILLED AT C. & N. W. STATION

FRIGHTFULLY MANGLED BODY OF STERLING YOUNG MAN FOUND EARLY TODAY.

HAD SPENT WEDNESDAY IN DIXON

Evidently Mistook Fast Express for His Train Home and Was Struck.

When the fireman of Northwestern passenger train No. 7, due here at 12:53 o'clock, stepped down off his engine this morning to turn the water penstock, he stumbled over the horribly mangled remains of a young man, who was later identified as Cadet Dunbar of Sterling.

The body was "frightfully mangled" indicating that the young man was struck by one of the fast trains passing through Dixon shortly after 12 o'clock. It is the belief of the railroad men that the unfortunate victim of the tragedy was struck by the American Express train, due here at about 12:25, which train does not stop here and usually runs through the yards at a speed of about forty miles an hour.

Body Frightfully Mangled.

The body, when discovered by the engineer, was lying on the plank crossing at the west end of the platforms and was horribly mutilated. The legs were cut off, both arms were mashed and amputated, the wheels of the cars had passed across the abdomen and the head was crushed and mangled.

Investigation shows that the remains of the young man must have been dragged about 100 feet, as there are indications that he was first struck at a point near the crossing directly in front of the depot.

Between Platform and Wheels.

Pieces of flesh, and blood along the brick retaining plank of the south platform indicate that after being struck the body was rolled along between that plank and the wheels of the car until the west crossing was reached, and it is probable this condition accounts for the awful state the body was in.

Dunbar had been in Dixon yesterday afternoon and evening visiting friends. It is thought that he intended to go back to Sterling on train No. 7. Railroad men saw him about the depot before and after the passage of the fast mail train, No. 9, which runs about fifteen minutes ahead of the Express Limited. It is probable that the young man while seated in the depot had fallen into a light sleep from which he was awakened by a train whistle. Probably thinking the incoming train was the passenger, he attempted to cross the tracks in front of it and was struck and killed.

Son of Newspaper Man.

The victim of the accident is a member of an old Sterling family, and is a son of Col. Lucian Dunbar, who formerly published the old Sterling Herald. He is a member of the firm of Dunbar Bros., who conduct a cigar store and news stand near the Galt House in Sterling, and is survived by his parents, one brother, Stowers, and two sisters. He was a member of the Masonic blue lodge.

Coroner Summoned.

The remains were taken to the Morris & Preston undertaking room, and Coroner Smith was notified of the accident, as were the young man's relatives in Sterling. Undertaker Charles Windom of Sterling came to Dixon on an early car to make arrangements for shipping the body to Sterling after the inquest.

The Coroner's Inquest.

Coroner Smith arrived from Chicago at 11 o'clock and impanelled the following jury: J. J. Dauntler, foreman; W. W. Vann, Barney Bush, Robert Abbott, Dennis McCoy and E. E. Holdridge. The inquest was held at Morris & Preston's undertaking rooms, the jury returning an open verdict to the effect that Dunbar came to his death by being struck by a Northwestern passenger train sometime between 12:30 and 1 o'clock this morning.

But four witnesses were examined: Night Ticket Clerk Garland, A. L. Carr, Robert Reiley and Ross

REV. R. J. CAMPBELL

Who Predicts Two New Parties for United States in Near Future.



"DIAMOND DICK" DIES IN THE EAST

FAMOUS CHARACTER WHO WAS WELL KNOWN IN DIXON AND THE WEST.

Dixon people are much interested in dispatches from Ogdensburg, N. Y., announcing the receipt of news of the death of George E. McClelland, better known as "Diamond Dick," of dime novel fame. McClelland's death followed injuries received in being run down by a special train at Kansas City, Kas.

He spent considerable time in Dixon about five years ago and will be remembered by many as possessing an exceptionally large number of diamonds and wearing his hair long. He was a doctor and sold a great deal of his medicine to people of this vicinity. He was born in New York but he ran away from home when 16 years old, and in 1872 joined "Buffalo Bill," "Wild Bill" and "Texas Jack" in the show business. He was a crack shot with the rifle, one of his tricks, which he often pulled off for Dixon friends, being the shooting of an apple from a man's head.

He is said to have been the first doctor in Oklahoma and when the Spanish war broke out he organized a regiment of Indian braves, offering his and their services to the country. His remains have been taken to Ogdensburg for burial.

FEAR ROCKFORD MAN MET FOUL PLAY

GUST PETERSON, SIDEWALK CONTRACTOR, HAS BEEN MISSING FOR WEEK.

(Rockford, Dec. 21)—Feeling that her husband's disappearance from home may be due to foul play, Mrs. J. A. Peterson, wife of the well known sidewalk contractor who is better known as "Gust" Peterson, has reported to the police that he has been missing since Friday.

She has asked the police to help in a search for him.

Mrs. Peterson's fears are made more grave by the fact that he is believed to have had a big sum of money with him when he left home Friday morning. At that time his relations were as always happy. He said nothing about remaining away for any unusual length of time and had had no quarrel. Since his disappearance his wife has learned that he was seen in Beloit, Milwaukee and Chicago. An investigation in Chicago failed to locate him where he was supposed to have been.

He is 52 years old and has two children. He has been a resident of Rockford for many years and has a wide acquaintance.

His family does not believe he has committed suicide.

MORRISON TEAM PLAYS TOMORROW NIGHT

Dixon high school basketball fans are anticipating some great sport tomorrow evening when the fast Dixon high school team will meet the Morrison high school aggregation. The game will be played at the high school gym and there will be a preliminary contest between two local teams.

HOME FROM MISSOURI.

H. C. Dixon, the jeweler, has returned from Missouri, where he has been for ten days conducting a big sale of jewelry and fine goods. He reports it the most successful auction he has ever held, money seemed to be plentiful and it was a booming and prosperous town.

MOTION OF PACKERS DENIED BY JUDGE

REFUSES TO STRIKE OUT TWO AND THREE OF THE INDICTMENT COUNTS.

Chicago, Dec. 21—Special—Judge Carpenter denied the motion of the packers' counsel to strike out counts two and three from the indictments, charging criminal violation of the Sherman Act.

NEW BELL HUNG IN LOCAL CHURCH

GERMAN LUTHERAN CHURCH IS PLEASED OVER EFFORTS OF AID SOCIETY.

A fine new bell has been placed in the belfry of the German Lutheran church through the efforts of the Ladies' Aid society and will ring for the first time next Sunday to call the worshippers together. The bell was made by Stuckstegen Bros. of St. Louis and weighs about one thousand pounds while the hangings will weigh an extra four hundred pounds.

The cost of the bell and the work of hanging it is about \$200 and the entire church membership joins Rev. Drexel in extending congratulations and thanks to the Aid society for their successful efforts. Contractor Ed. Pippert placed the bell in position.

GEO. SACKETT HAS CHANCE FOR RECOVERY.

The latest reports from Wesley hospital, Chicago, are to the effect that George Sackett is improving and unless unforeseen complications set in he will recover following the serious operation for appendicitis. Mr. Sackett is a theatrical promoter of Rockford and one season managed the Dixon opera house in connection with the Rockford and Freeport houses.

TRAIN LATE TODAY.

Eastbound trains were late this morning as the result of storms in the west and the increased Christmas travel.

BROKEN ARCH BAR CAUSES A WRECK

CAR DERAILLED AT SUBLLETTE DELAYED TRAINS NEARLY THREE HOURS.

EXTRA COACHES FOR HOLIDAYS

ILLINOIS CENTRAL PROVIDES ADDITIONAL CARS ON THE AMBOY DIVISION.

A broken arch bar caused the derailment of a car of coal on an Illinois Central freight two miles north of Sublette Wednesday morning. It required about two hours to replace the car and the train was delayed about two hours and forty minutes. The Illinois Central passenger train which leaves Amboy each morning was delayed about an hour owing to the derailment. The freight was north bound.

Extra Coaches.

In order to accommodate the passengers who travel on the south line of the Illinois Central an extra coach has been placed on the southbound train, which leaves Freeport at 4:10 p. m. The crowds on this division have been so large that it was necessary for the train to carry an extra coach.

HARRY CHIVERTON SELLS RESIDENCE

AND BUYS GRAEHLING FARM OF 193 ACRES NORTHWEST OF POLO.

Harry A. Chiverton closed a deal yesterday whereby he sold his residence property, corner of East Fellows street and North Dixon avenue, to George W. Graehling of Polo for \$7,000, and also bought from Mr. Graehling his farm of 193 acres located four miles northwest of Polo, for \$28,000, or a little over \$145 per acre. The deal was conducted through F. M. Smith and possession is to be given March 1st.

BABY'S APPENDIX TAKEN OUT

OPERATION PERFORMED IN MERCY HOSPITAL, PITTSBURG, ON 9 WEEKS OLD BABY.

Pittsburg, Pa., Dec. 21—A 9 week old baby was successfully operated on at Mercy hospital in Pittsburg, for appendicitis. The child's father submitted to a similar operation recently. This is about the most youthful patient to submit to the severe operation that has been recorded in this country.

BEG WIDOW FOR \$120,000,000

MRS. E. H. HARRIMAN HAS RECEIVED 6,000 LETTERS ASKING HELP.

New York, Dec. 21—The letters received by Mrs. E. H. Harriman since the death of her husband, have reached a total of 6,000, with a total of \$120,000,000 asked. Mrs. Harriman has been turning them over to the bureau of municipal research in the hope that through them statistics can be collected showing need for charitable work. Some of the requests have been granted, others are being investigated.

WILL COMPLETE HIS EDUCATION IN WEST

Mrs. Josephine S. Emerson and Sewell R. Bond leave Saturday morning for New Orleans, where they will spend Christmas before continuing their journey to Tucson, Arizona to spend the winter. Mr. Bond, after his expected benefit in health from the Arizona climate, will go to Berkley, Cal., to enter the university and finish the course of study which he was obliged to drop on account of his health.

WHAT OCCURS TONIGHT.

Kindergarten Entertainment — At North Dixon School.

Recital—Strong's College of Music.

Modern Woodmen—Union Hall.

Vaudeville—Family Theatre.

Moving Pictures—Princess.

GREAT QUESTIONS ARE SOLVED DAILY

ELI ACTS AS REFEREE AND HIS DECISIONS REGARDED AS FINAL.

Eli's assembly room was the scene of action for a notable gathering of sages this morning. Various current topics were discussed with ardor and feeling. The various murderers in the country were tried, convicted and hung and the members of the beef trust jailed for 150 years each.

These daily gatherings are very instructive to the unsophisticated and almost any day one can drop in there and hear some weighty national or international problem solved. Uncle Eli acts as referee and it is seldom he has to call any help in from the outside to help in bracing up his decisions.

HENRY SCHMIDT HAD BAD FALL TODAY

COMMISSIONER SLIPPED ON ICY WALK AND IS CONFINED TO HIS HOME.

Commissioner Henry Schmidt suffered a bad fall this morning which will confine him to his home for several days under the care of a physician.

He was on his way over to town from his residence in North Dixon and slipped on the icy sidewalk near the north side school. He then continued on his way to his office but when he got there he found that his condition was such that he had to be taken home.

LUCIAN BREED WRITES FROM THE NORTHWEST

FINDS BEAUTIFUL COUNTRY AT FOOT OF ROCKIES IN CANADA.

Lucian Breed of this city, who has been machinist for an automobile manufacturer in Moline and who left that city the middle of last summer with a companion to do machinist work in Alberta, Canada, writes to his people in Dixon that he is now at the foot of the Rocky mountains 60 miles from Olds in Alberta and will spend the winter with a logging crew. He states that the country is more beautiful than he can describe and that it is a great country. He and his companion will take up a homestead in that fine country next spring.

JURORS SECURED IN DRAINAGE CASE

PROBABLE THAT NO EVIDENCE WILL BE TAKEN BEFORE NEXT WEEK.

The securing of a jury in the Inlet Swamp drainage case which was taken up in the county court, is progressing fully as satisfactorily as was expected by the officials, eight jurors having been accepted at 2:30 o'clock today. They are: W. W. Harden, Angier Wilson, N. A. Cortright, Frank Young, Frank D. Palmer, Henry Shepard, D. E. Barkett and E. S. Mc Cleary. It is not probably any evidence in the case will be taken before the first of next week, as the jurors will not all be secured and the attorneys will not have completed their statements before tomorrow afternoon.

Jury Accepted.

Late this afternoon the remaining four jurors were secured, much more quickly than the attorneys had expected and the evidence will now go before the jury. The last four accepted were: W. H. Remmers, A. W. Lord, Fred Richardson and Jacob Leiven.

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HIGH COURT SUSTAINS COMMISSION FORM LAW

JOSEPH H. CHOATE

Presides at Meeting Where President Lays Cornerstone.



ACT DECLARED CONSTITUTIONAL BY STATE SUPREME COURT.

Beemer Will, Set Aside by Circuit Court, Is Held Good by Higher Court.

Springfield, Ill., Dec. 21—Special—The December term of the supreme court adjourned today after handing down several important decisions. In the batch of cases under advisement was one appealed from Sangamon county attacking the constitutionality of the commission form of city government. The court sustained the constitutionality of the act, which had been passed at the last session of the legislature.

The case was argued and submitted at the last term, and has been under advisement for three months. This decision affects seventeen cities which adopted the new form of government, and by the ruling of the supreme court no change will have to be made in the government of these cities.

Decision of Court.

Springfield, Ill., Dec. 21—Special—The act giving cities the authority to adopt the commission form of government and prescribing the duties of the mayor and the commissioners was made constitutional by the supreme court in an opinion handed down in the case of the city of Springfield, appellee, against Chas. P. Edmunds, county treasurer of Sangamon county, appellant.

The supreme court affirms the judgment of Judge James A. Creighton of the Sangamon court.

The city of Springfield had brought suit in mandamus to compel Edmunds to turn over to the city money of the city which he had collected. He refused to do so on advice of Attorney General Stead and States Attorney Burk.

Edmunds alleged the commission form of government was unconstitutional, claiming that the bill had never passed the senate legally, because the senate had receded from its amendments by a viva voice vote and also that the act is incomplete in itself and that it takes an intermingling of both the old cities and villages act which by its title it purports to be an amendment and the commission form of government act to make it a complete act upon any one subject or upon distinct branches of the general subject.

Other minor objections were urged to the act.

Judge Creighton issued the writ of mandamus asked for by the city and Edmunds appealed to the supreme court.

Justices Vickers, Cooke and Farmer dissented.

Reversed Four Cases.

SOCIAL HAPPENINGS

BIRTHDAY HOROSCOPES.

December 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12.
You are energetic, shrewd, capable, somewhat cunning. You want to be in the van, are fond of finery, jewelry and the best is none too good. Have a fondness for animals, a love of nature and love to cultivate and live among flowers. You are anxious for the future, cautious, generally reliable and loyal. You like good living, and plenty of it. Reserved, distant.

December 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18.

You have much native intelligence with a faculty almost prophetic. Are direct in your decision and aim. You always hit the mark. You have strong imagination and are apt sometimes to overstate things. You can be, and are likely to be, a pessimist. You are rather proud, self-satisfied, self-confident. Are capable and have a brilliant intellect.

December 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24, 25.

You are shrewd and determined, desirous of your own way in every-

thing. Love your home but like to move and find change of scene and environment, but take your home with you. Lay much stress on outward appearance and have some love of show. Love to study and live in the mysterious. Are a great reader, and have a retentive memory.

Married in Sterling.

Earl Meek and Miss Ruth Sigman, both of Walnut, were married in Sterling Tuesday evening by Rev. W. Aylesworth. They will reside in Sterling.

Christmas Suggestion.

Why not send the Telegraph to your out of town relative or friend? The Daily Telegraph by mail is \$3 per year, the Semi-Weekly Telegraph is \$1.50 per year. Both postpaid to any place in the United States.

Clubbing Rates.

The Telegraph clubs with any magazine published, which means a reduction to any one paying for their paper a year in advance. Call and get terms.

G. A. R. Circle.

The ladies of the G. A. R. Circle will meet at their hall Friday evening for special work.

Held Successful Party.

The dance at Rosbrook hall last evening was a very successful affair. A large number responded to the invitations of the popular men who managed the dance and Seelig's heavenly music was enjoyed until 1 o'clock. Supper was served between 11 and 12. Many persons from out of town were present.

Missionary Society.

The Missionary society of the Presbyterian church will meet next week Friday, the 29th, instead of this week, with Mrs. George Graves.

Odd Fellows Entertained.

The Odd Fellows and their friends enjoyed a pleasant evening at Odd Fellows hall last evening.

A scramble supper was served and an evening of dancing was participated in by quite a large number.

Neighbors Surprised Her.

Mrs. Harry Holt of Peoria avenue, was the victim of a very pleasant surprise Wednesday afternoon when a dozen neighbors came in to spend the afternoon, bringing their sewing with them.

Middlers' Invitations Out.

The Middlers have issued invitations for their annual Christmas and New Years parties, to be held at Rosbrook hall on the respective evenings. Music for the Christmas party will be furnished by Heft's orchestra, while Slothrop will supply music for the New Years event.

Married This Morning.

Peter J. Smith and Miss Evangeline Keefer, both of this city, were united in marriage at 10 o'clock this morning at the Methodist parsonage by Rev. Fred D. Stone. They will make their home in Dixon and enter the new relations with best wishes of many friends.

Pupils to Entertain.

Patrons and friends of the North Dixon schools will attend in large numbers the annual entertainment of the kindergarten pupils, to be given at the school building this evening. The affair will commence promptly at 7 o'clock and an interesting evening is promised.

Leap Year Charity Ball.

The Shaughran club yesterday issued invitations to a Leap Year Charity ball to be given at Rosbrook hall, Wednesday evening, Jan. 3. The young ladies' names who appear on the invitations are Ruth Carney, Helen Gorham, Dora O'Malley, Hazel Kenneth, Marie Gorham, Lillian Conahan, Katherine Reynolds, Margaret



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Christmas Dinner.

Mr. and Mrs. C. P. Herrick will entertain seventeen guests with a 12 o'clock dinner Christmas day at the Dewey hotel.

The Tea Club.

The Tea club met with Mrs. E. N. Howell on Wednesday.

Ruhne-Huff.

James O. Huff of Sublette and Miss Meta Ruhnke of this city were united in marriage at 7 o'clock last evening at the German Lutheran parsonage by Rev. Theo. Drexel. The young people were attended by the groom's sister, Mrs. Viola McLean, and by Harold Huff. Both bride and groom have many friends in the city, who extend congratulations.

Married in Dixon.

Ralph Dronenberg and Miss Nellie Brady, both of Tampico, were married at the parsonage of the Christian church in this city at 3 o'clock Wednesday afternoon by Rev. S. Elwood Fisher. They left on the four o'clock interurban for Sterling, and from there they will go to their Tam-pico home.

Lodge Affair Enjoyed.

The members of the Odd Fellows and Rebekahs and their friends had an exceptionally happy time yesterday afternoon and last evening, the social afternoon, scramble tea and dancing and card party in the evening being the attractions. Many donations were received for the Old Folks' and Orphans' home during the afternoon and the evening functions were largely attended.

Birthday Surprise.

Mrs. W. W. Vann was the victim of a very happy birthday surprise party last evening, the instigators of the affair and the guests being members of the W. R. C., of which she is a member. Mrs. Vann was not expecting anything of the kind, inasmuch as she had received a large number of congratulatory post cards during the day. The self-invited guests brought plenty of good things to eat with them, and they also remembered their hostess with tokens which she will long prize.

To Entertain Class.

Misses Henrietta Florschutz and Pauline Fulton will entertain the members of the sophomore class of the North Dixon high school this evening at the home of the former, 603 North Dixon avenue.

Dinner Party.

Gordon Utley entertained a party of friends at dinner last evening in honor of Mr. and Mrs. Henry T. Noble.

At C. B. Morrison Home.

Mr. and Mrs. Percy Schroeder and family of Racine, Wis., are visitors at the home of Atty. and Mrs. C. B. Morrison.

Dance Next Thursday.

The Red Heads will give their next dancing party at Rosbrook hall on Thursday evening, Dec. 28. Heft's orchestra will play.

Bowling for Charity.

The Invincibles are in charge of the opera house bowling alleys this afternoon, through the courtesy of Manager P. A. Lennon and the young ladies have enjoyed good patronage, the knowledge that the receipts are to be devoted to charity causing a great many to bowl during the afternoon.

Woodmen Meet Tonight.

The regular meeting of the M. W. A. will be held at their hall this evening. A full attendance of the members is requested by the officers.

Guests at Dinner.

Mr. and Mrs. C. P. Herrick of Polo were guests of Mrs. W. J. McAlpine at dinner last evening.

Moose Will Elect.

The Loyal Order of Moose will hold an election of officers at their meeting in the Union hall on Friday evening.

Joliet Club.

The Joliet club will be entertained with a Christmas dinner Monday evening at the home of Miss Josephine Austin, to be followed by the enjoyment of a Christmas tree.

For Wedding Party.

Mr. and Mrs. Bert Delp of Fourth street entertained with a 7 o'clock dinner last evening in honor of the former's brother and his bride, Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Delp. The guests were Mr. and Mrs. Ed. Miller and family of South Dixon, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Spiller and family and Miss Mollie Portenier.

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Shoulder steak	12 1/2c
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Pork chops	13c
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Pork sausage	12 1/2c
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EASY TERMS

DEMENTTOWN

We've always noticed that the fellow who seeks notoriety usually gets it.

Christmas presents should never be suggestive. Therefore don't send a lobster to the sweetheart of a fellow you don't like.

Barney Hemmen is a great little machinist. He spent some time yesterday trying to find the "dingus" in a match vending machine and believed all the time he was piping the electric battery do-funny.

Ever notice how affectionate some children get the minute they get their hands and face all covered with syrup?

A good way to bring warm weather is to work four or five hours making a snow man for the youngster.

It's a certain cinch that lots of folks commune with spirits without the aid of a medium. Of course this doesn't apply to dry towns.

We can't help wondering if there will be ice in the wheels next July.

Certain credit should be given the waterworks people for showing that their works are not "a pile of junk."

Still that doesn't please, to any noticeable extent, the people who had to have the plumbers yesterday to replace broken faucets, pipes, etc., the 140 lbs. pressure caused.

Keyser says the report that he was looking for sausage is a malicious falsehood.

Cheer Up, Because—

You don't have to read this dope if you don't want to.

Neither do you have to work overtime preparing it.

It didn't freeze up after that rain yesterday.

Christmas comes but once a year.

There are only a couple of kids in your neighborhood who are taking music lessons. There might be a dozen.

That men's clothes don't button up the back.

That you didn't fall down a couple of times more.

Where, Oh Where Has That Little Dog Gone.

Sonstant Reader writes: "There is some curiosity among the boarders at our boarding house, as to the whereabouts of a poor, can bearing dog, that was seen hanging about the place last week, and who is now

missing. This letter is not meant to cast any insinuations, but that little dog certainly wore the most woe-be-gone, pathetic countenance you or anyone else ever saw. He looked as if he realized his journey in this vale of tears was almost over, and inasmuch as we have been having hash frequently recently, the boarders would like to know where that doggie is—and sentimental reasons are not entirely back of that desire of information."

Chance for a Good Fellow

This col. has received the following communication, action on which will bring joy to the girls and also to the Good Fellow who will answer. The names of the little ones who wish these modest gifts are withheld, but anyone wishing to assist the poor children can leave their presents at this office:

Dear Santa: We are two girls and work side by side all the while, already. We are so busy we have no time to make something for ourselves, so dear good Santa will you please bring one of us a kimona and the other one a slip. Your friends,

PETER AND POLLY PAPER.

Peter and Polly paper for Peter and Polly books makes a nice Christmas present for the child.

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Dear Santa Claus: Please bring me a toy cornet, toy reins with bells, a rubber ball, candy and nuts. Goodbye, dear Santa Claus.

Theodore Engle, Polo, Ill.

Mouth Organ and Skates.

Dear Santa: Please bring me an air rifle, a mouth organ, a pair of skates and a drawing slate and I guess that is all for this time.

Russel Cooper, age 8.

R. F. D. 6, Dixon.

Wants Are Modest.

Dear Santa: Please bring me a doll go-cart, a handkerchief, a box of colored crayons, some candy and nuts, that is all for this time. Goodbye.

Vernie Cooper.

R. F. D. 6, Dixon.

Sled, Train and Street Car.

My Dear Santa: I will write you a letter telling you what I want for Christmas. I would like for you to bring me a flexible flyer sled and a train of cars and a street car and a horn and suit of clothes if you think you can find one to fit me and a drum and some candy and nuts and fruit, so this is all, Dear Santa. I wish you a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year. Your little friend,

Warren Lowery,

903 W. Third St., Dixon.

Very Large Box Candy.

My Dear Santa Claus: I wish you would bring me a little stove, kitchen cabinet and some pans to do cooking with. I want roller skates, tricycle, a pretty big doll with real hair, a doll dresser and small trunk. I would love a work bag and thimble because I sew for my dolly and she needs some new clothes. Don't forget to bring me a very large box of Morse's chocolate candy like the big girls get. Goodbye dear Santa.

Mary Hooker.

Hair Ribbon and Handkerchief.

Dear Santa: Will you please bring me a doll and a doll go-cart and hair ribbon, a handkerchief, a new coat some nuts and candy and I guess that is all for this time. Goodbye.

Gladys Mumma, age 6.

R. F. D. 6, Dixon.

Wants That Stove.

Dear Santa Claus: I am 6 years old and my sister is 3. She wants a doll buggie and pitno I want that stove at Mr. Rosbrook's store and a big cupboard for my dishes.

Hazel and Frances Stanbrough.

Thankful for Anything.

Dear Santa: Please bring us boys each a sweater and collar and flyers Clarence wants a drum and a top and I want a train, story book and a top and box of crayons. Marion wants a broom and Florence likes those dolls at the Bee Hive. Don't forget papa and mamma. We will be thankful for whatever you bring.

Daniel and Clarence Spielman.

Necktie for Papa.

Dear Santa Claus: I would like a story book and doll bed and a nitted ball and a doll and a plate for my mamma and a little play horse and a necktie for my papa. By-bye, Santa.

Clarence Henry, age 3.

Poor Old Man.

Dear Santa Claus: I would like a Jack in the box, a washtub and a dollie and a set of nine pins and Mother goose story book and a set of cut glass for my mamma and a pair of socks for papa and some blocks.

Elizabeth Henry, age 5.

Butter Milk Horn.

Dear Santa: I want a little fire wagon and a butter milk horn and a little hay wagon and I want a Christmas tree and I want some candy and nuts and some pop corn balls and a pop gun. That is all. From Harry Kelly, 813 Jackson Ave., Dixon.

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train of cars that runs on a track, a Christmas tree, some books, candy and nuts.

Donald Grover, 315 E. Fourth St., Dixon.

Papa Not Particular.

Dear Santa Claus:

I would like for you to bring me a flexible flyer if you have one to spare and some nice building blocks. Mama would like a nice purse like I saw in the window at the Bee Hive. Ida only wants a stocking full of nuts and candy because she broke her dolly and she is going to give her go-cart to the little Indian children.

Papa wants all he can get. Take good care of your reindeers and we would like for you to come and see us when we are awake, and don't forget Bunnie, please bring him a collar that he can't chew. Well goodbye, with love from

Edward Wolford.

S 223 Walnut Ave., Dixon.

P. S.—I am 7 years old and in 2nd grade.

PEACE STILL FAR OFF

Conference of Chinese Adjourns without a Day.

Appeal of Consuls of Powers for Agreement Is Without Result So Far.

Shanghai, Dec. 21.—Thus far the appeal of the consuls of the various powers for an agreement has been without result. Wu Ting Fang, on behalf of the republicans, told the foreign consuls that he would do everything possible toward bringing about peace, but the Chinese, he declared, were struggling for freedom and good government, and a hasty peace might lead to another revolution which would be more serious than the present one. He wished to secure peace on a solid basis. The republicans were not hostile to the Manchus and wished them to be on perfect equality with the Chinese.

When the conference re-met Dr. Wu maintained the same unbending attitude. He said in effect that the republicans wished only peace but it must be based on the establishment of a government founded on the will of the people.

The session lasted three hours. Lang Shao Li, the government delegate, contributed little to the discussion except to ask questions. He made no counter proposals and professed that he had no authority to act as a plenipotentiary.

After further talk which was fruitless it was agreed that Lang should consult Yuan Shih Kai and also that the present armistice, which expires on Christmas eve, should be extended to Dec. 31. The movement of troops is permitted in the meantime. The conference then adjourned without a vote.

The building, a three-story brick structure which is just being completed on the Howard grounds at No. 5501 Chamberlain avenue, contains a natatorium, a sun parlor, a bowling alley, a billiard room and many other features to delight the heart of a boy. Thornton expects to spend a great part of his time with his chums in the house. Since May workmen have been hastening the construction and interior decoration in order to have the house finished for Christmas.

PREDICTS TWO NEW PARTIES

English Minister Sees Disruption of Old Political Organizations.

Cleveland, O., Dec. 21.—Prediction that before long the old-line political parties of the United States will die and that their resurrection will be in two other parties, known as the Progressive and the Conservative, was made here by Rev. Dr. Reginald Campbell of London.

He declares that the disruption of the two leading political parties in the United States is imminent, and it will be followed by the springing up of a political life similar to that in England.

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Making a Great Gun.

Berlin, Dec. 21.—The Krupp works at Essen are reported to be constructing a 28 centimetre gun (about 15-inch) which will be the biggest piece of artillery ever constructed.

Dramatic Notes

FAMILY THEATRE

Tanner & Gilbert, a team whose sketch is constructed for laughing purposes only, and the Three Ambers, English acrobatic marvels, are the people who will make up the bill for the last half of this week at the Family theatre. Both are now acts to the patrons of this theatre and come very highly recommended. Two reels of pictures will be shown.

THE WOMAN."

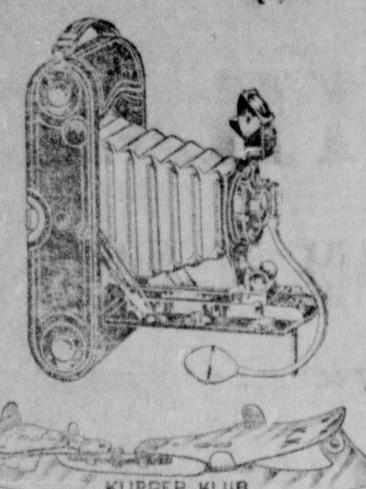
YEAR'S BIGGEST PLAY

Never has the importance of the telephone been so dramatically suggested as in the new play, "The Woman," which will be presented in Chicago by David Belasco at the Olympic theatre next Sunday evening. This is Mr. Belasco's most popular offering of the year. Within the last decade there has been practically no human invention that has escaped the enterprising playwright. The telephone alone remained undramatized, and it was not until Wm. C. de Mille so happily hit upon the dramatic possibilities of our everyday life that it was given proper importance in the drama of the day. A happier thought never came to a dramatist for, naturally, the instrument itself suggests that alert little person, the switchboard operator, with all her cleverness and charm.

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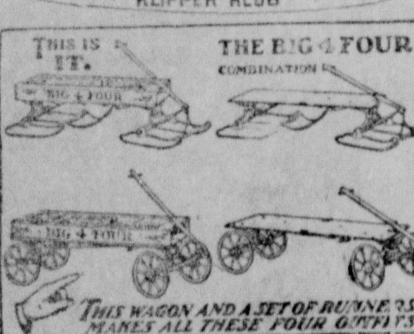
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FOUR REVERSALS FROM LEE CO.

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The supreme court also reversed the findings of the county court in the case of A. Cecil Welsh and others against the drainage commissioners of Hahneman. The county court held that the objectors could not file their objections collectively, the supreme court reversing that judgment and remanding the case.

Beemer Will Case.

The Men's club of the Unitarian church at Hackensack, N. J., realizing that the state constitution will soon undergo revision, has started a series of meetings for the discussion of making advisable changes. One of the suggestions is to have the word "male" stricken out and re-establish woman suffrage in New Jersey.

"Pennsylvania Next" is the slogan sounded by the Woman Suffrage association of that state. The rally is an echo of the recent suffrage convention held in Philadelphia, where plans were made for a vigorous campaign which is already bearing fruit in the organization of new societies throughout the state and the contribution of funds from unexpected sources.

GRAND DETOUR

The Harry Huffman sale was well attended and everything brought good prices Thursday.

Mrs. Ella Frey has returned from a three months visit in Iowa, where she has been visiting relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Johnson have gone to Florida to spend the winter.

Mr. and Mrs. David Osbaugh of Nachusa spent Sunday at the J. A. Schumaker home.

Mr. Sanborn, who has been under a doctor's care for sometime, is up and around and is improving.

Arthur Sheffield spent a few days here with his parents.

Fred Earle and lady friend of Dixon spent Sunday at the home of his father.

Eugene Heckman and family drove to Dixon Monday.

J. A. Schumaker has gone to Florida.

Mr. and Mrs. Lee Mon will move to Grand Detour in a week.

Miss Myra Fox visited friends in Grand Detour Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Tryon Rosbrook were calling on friends in town Saturday.

Miss Keron Dudley and niece, Miss Smith, have returned from a weeks visit in Dixon.

Miss Ella Frey visited friends in Dixon Monday.

Miss Gertrude Purteman spent Sunday with her parents.

Frank Frey spent Sunday at home.

Quite a number from here attended a party at the Harry Huffman home Saturday night.

Little Charles Harvey, son of Michael Harvey, was bitten quite badly in the face by their pet dog. It was necessary to take the little fellow to the hospital for treatment.

Miss Susie Moser has gone to Dixon to spend the winter with her grandmother, Mrs. Smith.

Mr. and Mrs. Lester Reese spent Sunday at the Marion Davis home.

Miss Florence Moser has gone to stay at the John Hayes home for the winter.

Tomorrow the end, and never again at such low prices. Theo. J. Miller's Special Sale of Pianos closes Friday evening at 10 o'clock.

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No matter how pertinent the educational environment or how faithful and accomplished the instructor, the fact remains that the best schools will always be found in neighborhoods that have the largest proportion of sensible parents, says an exchange.

Fault Finding.

I have taught in neighborhoods of unceasing fault finding; where they had never had a good school or turned out one boy to be proud of, and where my efforts were little more productive than any of my predecessors. It was simply impossible to do good work in that neighborhood and the parents were entirely to blame. Less effort on my part, when combined with the co-operation of the parents, had produced satisfactory results in other neighborhoods; yet I knew the average mental ability of the children was not so much greater than it was in the school that was unsatisfactory.

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It is my experience that the best behaved pupils come from homes where obedience is enforced but where corporal punishment is not a part of the disciplinary methods. As a rule the hardest pupils to deal with are those who have become accustomed to brutal punishment at home, and nothing the teacher would dare to attempt would worry them in the least.

Satisfactory Pupils.

The most satisfactory pupils come from homes where the parents had little opportunity to get an education but where knowledge is prized and where books and papers are read and discussed with the children and the ruling thought is: How may the children be educated?

When parents criticize themselves a little more and teachers a little less the standard of our schools will be raised.

Parents must be taught that they can do more in an hour toward moulding a child's mind than a teacher can do in a week.

SAVANNA BOY HAS

A BENT BONE

Floyd McKrath has the distinction of suffering from a bent bone in the arm. He was practicing basketball in Henderson's hall when he slipped and fell in such a manner that his weight came on the radius bone of his left arm. The radius is the larger of the two bones in the forearm. The bone is not broken but is splintered a little and is really bent. This is somewhat peculiar although not entirely unknown. However, most bones are so brittle they will break before they bend. Floyd says that it may be an enviable distinction, but all the same he will gladly let some one else enjoy it if they desire.—Savanna Times.

ALLEGES A TRUST IN WATCH CASES

Government Files Suit against Keystone Company,

ILLEGAL MONOPOLY CLAIMED

Petition to Pennsylvania Court Recites that Keystone People Control 80 Per Cent of Business In Their Line.

Philadelphia, Dec. 21.—The federal government has filed in the circuit court for the eastern district of Pennsylvania a petition in equity against the Keystone Watch Case company, charging it with being a monopoly in violation of the Sherman anti-trust act.

The government charges that by purchasing and absorbing its competitors the Keystone company has obtained a practical monopoly over the watch case business of the country.

The government alleges that the company sold its products only to jobbers who would conform to its wishes as to the disposition of the goods and that it would refuse to sell to jobbers who might handle its watch cases in a manner detrimental to the Keystone company. The company sent a circular last year to the watch trade stating that jobbers must not deal in watch cases other than those manufactured by the Keystone company.

The Keystone company, the petition says, controls 80 per cent of the business, while several independent concerns which still exist are in jeopardy of absorption by the company if it is not enjoined from continuance of its alleged violation of the anti-trust law. The Keystone company, it is charged, fixed prices of its goods sold by the jobbers to the retailers. The company, the government adds, had been able by its control of the business to take "large and unreasonable profits upon its capital stock."

"Its net earning in 1910," says the petition, "on the capital stock of \$6,000,000 were about 14 per cent, although about one-half of its capital is represented by trade marks, good will, etc., estimated at an exorbitantly exaggerated valuation."

The petition asks that the court order the dissolution of the company so as to restore competition.

MME. LANGEVIN WINS

French Court Grants Petition for Separation from Husband.

Paris, Dec. 21.—The petition for a separation from her husband, presented by Mme. Langevin in the divorce court was granted.

Mme. Langevin asked for a separation from her husband, a professor of general and experimental physics at the College of France, on account of his alleged relations with Mme Curie, the famous scientist. The suit caused a great sensation throughout France, and was the occasion for several duels between partisans of one or another of the persons principally concerned.

WIFE HELD AS ACCESSORY

Coroner Thinks She Plotted Murder of Husband with Another Man.

Huntingdon, Pa., Dec. 21.—On testimony of her own children, Mrs. Sadie Galloup was committed to prison without bail by Coroner Schum on the charge of being an accessory to the murder of her husband, Benjamin Galloup, by Frank M. Calhoun, on Saturday night.

At the inquest Mrs. Galloup's children testified that Calhoun was concealed in Mrs. Galloup's house all Saturday afternoon waiting for his chance to murder Mrs. Galloup's husband.

Wealthy Banker Convicted.
Pierre, S. D., Dec. 21.—Charles S. Hyde of this city, reputed to be the wealthiest man in South Dakota, a real estate operator and banker, was found guilty of using the mails to defraud, with a maximum penalty of \$1,500, fifty-four months in prison, or both.

French Ratify Moroccan Agreements.
Paris, Dec. 21.—The French chamber of deputies ratified the Franco-German agreements in regard to Morocco and the French Congo by a vote of 332 to 36. As there are 600 members in the chamber it will be seen that many abstained from voting.

Fugitives Are Arrested.

Rochester, N. Y., Dec. 21.—On advices from South Bend, Ind., Clarence M. Owen of Joliet, Ill., and John H. Miller of Chicago, were locked up as fugitives from justice. They are wanted at South Bend for an alleged fraudulent deal in horses.

Drowned Skater's Body Recovered.

Madison, Wis., Dec. 21.—The body of Henry P. Howe of Clayton, Wis., a University of Wisconsin freshman, who was drowned when skating, was recovered from Lake Monona.

Mayor Still Cutting Prices.

Indianapolis, Dec. 21.—Mayor Shank has arranged for a number of sales of foodstuffs particularly in demand at Christmas time and low prices will prevail.

PEORIA PLANNING REGATTA

Attempt Will Be Made to Secure the Next National Rowing Race.

New York, Dec. 21.—Secretary Fred R. Fortmeyer of the National Association of Amateur Oarsmen has already received applications for holding the next championship races from Saratoga and Springfield, Mass. Word has been unofficially received that Peoria, Ill., can also be counted in the competition, as the residents of that town are planning an aquatic carnival to take place next August and to last a week.

The Peorians—and, for that matter, prominent oarsmen in the west, especially St. Louis way—have in view the bringing of the Mississippi valley and other provincial regattas to Peoria for four days, the affair to end in a blaze of glory on Friday and Saturday with the national regatta.

DARING AUTO ROBBER

Holds Up Woman in Chicago Store in Broad Daylight.

Chicago, Dec. 21.—A daring robbery occurred at 10 o'clock in the morning, when a well dressed bandit leaped from a large black touring car and, entering the delicatessen store of Mrs. Gertrude Hanley, 1128 East Forty-seventh street, compelled the owner, at the point of a revolver, to give him \$15 which was in the cash register.

The robber then hurried from the store, jumped into the auto and sped north in Woodlawn avenue.

LAKE TO BECOME FARM

Illinoisans Will Drain Lima, Long a Famous Hunting Resort.

Quincy, Ill., Dec. 21.—Lima lake, which covers 6,000 acres in the northern part of Adams county, and is famous for duck hunting, is to be reclaimed for agricultural purposes.

On a petition of the commissioners of the Lima lake drainage district an assessment of \$263,000 was ordered spread by the county court for the installation of a drainage system.

Hoosier on Trial in Illinois.

Erlingham, Ill., Dec. 21.—In the Erlingham circuit court a jury has been selected to try a case against William P. Anderson of Indianapolis, charged with conspiracy in connection with the operation of the Bank of Edgewood. At a session of the grand jury several months ago eleven indictments were returned against Anderson, charging fraudulent transactions in operating the bank, but every case against him has been dismissed on motion of the prosecuting attorney except this one.

Young Kid Farmer Is Jailed.

Peoria, Ill., Dec. 21.—Once more Harry Tibbets, well known as young "Kid" Farmer, a local prize fighter, is in durance vile. He called at the home of his wife, from whom he has lived separately for some time, and started trouble. He called for the purpose of securing some personal effects, but it is charged he threatened to kill his wife. He was immediately taken to the police station.

West Hammond Official Sued.

West Hammond, Ill., Dec. 21.—August Zimmerman, treasurer of the city of West Hammond, is named defendant in a suit for damages of \$10,000 filed in the superior court by Henry Roennau charging the alienation of the affections of his wife, Mrs. Clara Roennau. Roennau is a butcher and resides in Hammond, Ind.

Murderers Get Reprieve.

Springfield, Ill., Dec. 21.—Governor Deneen announced the granting of a reprieve until Feb. 16, 1912, in order that the four murderers of Frank W. Guelzow, a truck farmer of Chicago, could take their case to the supreme court. Two of the condemned men are brothers. The four were to be hanged Friday.

Captive Eagle Adopts Chicken.

Aledo, Ill., Dec. 21.—An American eagle of large size captured near Aledo after being wounded and which was recently presented to the Lodge of Eagles at Rock Island has adopted a chicken which was thrown into the cage to be devoured. The two birds roost side by side upon the same perch.

Marries Mexican Student.

Champaign, Ill., Dec. 21.—Miguel Espinosa, four years a student of mining engineering at the University of Illinois, who is a native Mexican and whose father is a millionaire mine owner, and Miss Jessie May Keefer were married at Champaign. They will live in Mexico.

Man Who Fought the Monitor Dies.

Alton, Ill., Dec. 21.—E. A. Jack, retired first Lieutenant of the United States revenue cutter service, a member of the crew of the Merrimac in its famous Civil War battle with the Monitor, is dead at his home at Alton, aged seventy-one.

Trap Many Muskrats.

Bloomington, Ill., Dec. 21.—Central Illinois trappers are now busily engaged in securing specimens of the furry tribe. Muskrats are reported to be plentiful this season, but mink and skunks are scarce.

Imported Stallions Die in Fire.

Mount Vernon, Ill., Dec. 21.—Longfelder Brothers' stock barn was destroyed by fire. Five imported Percheron stallions, worth \$5,000, were killed. The total loss is \$10,000.

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MESSAGE ON DEPARTMENTS AND FINANCES

President Taft Recommends Cur- rency Reform, National Re- serve Association and Rural Parcel Post.

Shows Economy In Treasury, Postoffice and Other Departments—National Credit Highest in the World—Favors Remitting Panama Canal Tolls on American Ships—Advocates Continuing Two Battleships Per Year and Adding Two Colliers.

To the Senate and House of Representatives:

The financial condition of the government as shown at the close of the last fiscal year, June 30, 1911, was very satisfactory. The ordinary receipts into the general fund, excluding postal revenues amounted to \$701,372,374.99, and the disbursements from the general fund for current expenses and capital outlays, excluding postal and Panama canal disbursements, including the interest on the public debt, amounted to \$654,137,907.89, leaving a surplus of \$47,234,377.10.

The postal revenue receipts amounted to \$237,879,823.60, while the payments made for the postal service from the postal revenues amounted to \$237,660,705.48, which left a surplus of postal receipts over disbursements of \$219,118.12, the first time in twenty-seven years in which a surplus occurred.

The interest bearing debt of the United States June 30, 1911, amounted to \$915,353,100. The debt on which interest had ceased amounted to \$1,879,830.20 and the debt bearing no interest, including greenbacks, national banknotes to be redeemed and fractional currency, amounted to \$386,751,917.43, or a total of interest and noninterest bearing debt amounting to \$1,303,984,937.69.

The actual disbursements, exclusive of those for the Panama canal and for the postal service for the year ending June 30, 1911, were \$654,137,907.89. The actual disbursements for the year ending June 30, 1910, exclusive of the Panama canal and the postal service disbursements, were \$659,705,391.08, making a decrease of \$5,597,393.19 in yearly expenditures in the year 1911 under that of 1910. For the year ending June 30, 1912, the estimated receipts, exclusive of the postal revenues, are \$660,000,000, while the total estimates, exclusive of those for the Panama canal and the postal expenditures payable from the postal revenues, amount to \$645,842,799.34. This is a decrease in the 1912 estimates from that of the 1911 estimates of \$7,921,995.99.

For the year ending June 30, 1913, the estimated receipts, exclusive of the postal revenues, are \$667,000,000, while the total estimated appropriations, exclusive of the Panama canal and postal disbursements payable from postal revenues, will amount to \$637,420,803.35. This is a decrease in the 1913 estimates from that of the 1912 estimates of \$7,921,995.99.

As to the postal revenues, the expansion of the business in that department, the normal increase in the postoffice and the extension of the service will increase the outlay to the sum of \$280,938,463, but as the department was self sustaining this year the postmaster general is assured that next year the receipts will at least equal the expenditures and probably exceed them by more than the surplus of this year.

The Credit of the United States.
The credit of this government was shown to be better than that of any other government by the sale of the Panama canal 3 per cent bonds. These bonds did not give their owners the privilege of using them as a basis for banknote circulation, nor was there any other privilege extended to them which would affect their general market value. Their sale, therefore, measured the credit of the government. The premium which was realized upon the bonds made the actual interest rate of the transaction 2.900 per cent.

In the treasury department the efficiency and economy work has been kept steadily up. Provision is made for the elimination of 134 positions during the coming year. Two hundred and sixty-seven statutory positions were eliminated during the last year in the office of the treasury in Washington and 141 positions in the year 1910, making an elimination of 542 statutory positions since March 4, 1905, and this has been done without the discharge of anybody, because the normal resignations and deaths have been equal to the elimination of the places, a system of transfers having taken care of the persons whose positions were dropped out. In the field service of the department, too, 1,239 positions have been eliminated down to the present time, making a total net reduction of all treasury positions to the number of 1,801. Meantime the efficiency of the work of the department has increased.

Monetary Reform.

A matter of first importance that will come before congress for action at this session is monetary reform. The

congress has itself arranged an early introduction of this great question through the report of its monetary commission. This commission was appointed to recommend a solution of the banking and currency problems so long confronting the nation and to furnish the facts and data necessary to enable the congress to take action.

In order to do its work with thoroughness and precision this commission has taken some time to make its report. The country is undoubtedly hoping for as prompt action on the report as the convenience of the congress will permit. The recognition of the gross imperfections and marked inadequacy of our banking and currency system even in our most quiet financial periods is of long standing, and later there has matured a recognition of the fact that our system is responsible for the extraordinary devastation, waste and business paralysis of our recurring periods of panic. Though the members of the monetary commission have for a considerable time been working in the open and while large numbers of the people have been openly working with them and while the press has largely noted and discussed this work as it has proceeded so that the report of the commission promises to represent a national movement, the details of the report are still being considered. I can not therefore do much more at this time than commend the immense importance of monetary reform, urge prompt consideration and action when the commission's report is received and express my satisfaction that the plan to be proposed promises to embrace main features that, having met the approval of a great preponderance of the practical and professional opinion of the country, are likely to meet equal approval in congress.

It is exceedingly fortunate that the wise and undisputed policy of maintaining unchanged the main features of our banking system rendered it at once impossible to introduce a central bank, for a central bank would certainly have been resisted, and a plan into which it could have been introduced would probably have been defeated. But as a central bank could not be a part of the only plan discussed or considered that troublesome question is eliminated. And, ingenious and novel as the proposed national reserve association appears, it simply is a logical outgrowth of what is best in our present system and is, in fact, the fulfillment of that system.

Exactly how the management of that association should be organized is a question still open. It seems to be desirable that the banks which would own the association should in the main manage it. It will be an agency of the banks to act for them, and they can be trusted better than anybody else chiefly to conduct it. It is mainly bankers' work. But there must be some form of government supervision and ultimate control, and I favor a reasonable representation of the government in the management. I entertain no fear of the introduction of politics or of any undesirable influences from a properly measured government representation.

I trust that all banks of the country possessing the requisite standards will be placed upon a footing of perfect equality of opportunity. Both the national system and the state system should be fairly recognized, leaving them eventually to coalesce if that shall prove to be their tendency. But such evolution cannot develop impartially if the banks of one system are given or permitted any advantages of opportunity over those of the other system. And I trust also that the new legislation will carefully and completely protect and assure the individuality and the independence of each bank to the end that any tendency there may ever be toward a consolidation of the money or banking power of the nation shall be defeated.

It will always be possible, of course, to correct any features of the new law which may in practice prove to be unsafe, so that, while this law is sure to be enacted under conditions of unusual knowledge and authority, it also will include, it is well to remember, the possibility of future amendment.

With the present prospects of this long awaited reform encouraging us, it would be singularly unfortunate if this monetary question should by any chance become a party issue. And I sincerely hope it will not. The exceeding amount of consideration it has received from the people of the nation has been wholly nonpartisan, and the congress set its nonpartisan seal upon it when the monetary commission was appointed. In commanding the question to the favorable consideration of congress I speak for and in the spirit of the great number of my fellow citizens who without any thought of party or partisanship feel with remarkable earnestness that this reform is necessary to the interests of all the people.

The War Department.

There is now before congress a bill the purpose of which is to increase the efficiency and decrease the expense of the army. It contains four principal features—first, a consolidation of the general staff with the adjutant general's and the inspector general's departments; second, a consolidation of the quartermaster's department with the subsistence and the pay departments; third, the creation of an army service corps, and, fourth, an extension of the enlistment period from three to five years.

With the establishment of an army service corps, as proposed in the bill, I am thoroughly in accord and am convinced that the establishment of such a corps will result in a material economy and a very great increase of efficiency in the army. It has repeatedly been recommended by me and my predecessors. I also believe that a consolidation of the staff corps can be

made with resulting increase in efficiency and economy, but not along the lines provided in the bill under consideration.

I am opposed to any plan the result of which would be to break up or interfere with the essential principles of the detail system in the staff corps established by the act of Feb. 2, 1901, and I am opposed to any plan the result of which would be to give to the officer selected as chief of staff or to any other member of the general staff corps greater permanency of office than he now has.

In making the consolidations no reduction should be made in the total number of officers of the army, of whom there are now too few to perform the duties imposed by law. I have in the past recommended an increase in the number of officers by 600 in order to provide sufficient officers to perform all classes of staff duty and to reduce the number of line officers detached from their commands. Congress at the last session increased the total number of officers by 200, but this is not enough. Promotion in the line of the army is too slow. Officers do not attain command rank at an age early enough properly to exercise it.

Another feature of the bill which I believe to be a mistake is the proposed increase in the term of enlistment from three to five years. I believe it would be better to enlist men for six years, release them at the end of three years from active service and put them in reserve for the remaining three years. Re-enlistments should be largely confined to the noncommissioned officers and other enlisted men in the skilled grades.

The army of the United States is in good condition. It showed itself able to meet an emergency in the successful mobilization of an army division of from 15,000 to 20,000 men, which took place along the border of Mexico during the recent disturbances in that country. The marvelous freedom from the ordinary camp diseases of typhoid fever and measles is referred to in the report of the secretary of war and shows such an effectiveness in the sanitary regulations and treatment of the medical corps and in the discipline of the army itself as to invoke the highest commendation.

I beg to renew my recommendation of last year that the congress appropriate for a memorial amphitheater at Arlington, Va., the funds required to construct it upon the plans already approved.

The Panama Canal.

The very satisfactory progress made on the Panama canal last year has continued, and there is every reason to believe that the canal will be completed as early as the 1st of July 1913, unless something unforeseen occurs. This is about eighteen months before the time promised by the engineers.

We are now near enough the completion of the canal to make it imperative necessary that legislation should be enacted to fix the method by which the canal shall be maintained and controlled and the zone governed.

The fact is that today there is no statutory law by authority of which the president is maintaining the government of the zone. Such authority was given in an amendment by the Spooner act, which expired by the terms of its own limitation some years ago. • • •

I fully concur with the secretary of war that the problem is simply the management of a great public work and not the government of a local republic; that every provision must be directed toward the successful maintenance of the canal as an avenue of commerce and that all provisions for the government of those who live within the zone should be subordinate to the main purpose.

The zone is forty miles long and ten miles wide. Now it has a population of 50,000 or 60,000, but as soon as the work of construction is completed the towns which make up this population will be deserted and only comparatively few natives will continue their residence there. The control of them ought to approximate a military government. One judge and two justices of the peace will be sufficient to attend to all the judicial and litigated business there is.

Furnishing Supplies and Repairs.

In my last annual message I discussed at length the reasons for the government's assuming the task of furnishing to all ships that use the canal, whether our own naval vessels or others, the supplies of coal and oil and other necessities with which they must be replenished either before or after passing through the canal, together with the dock facilities and repairs of every character. This it is thought wise to do through the government, because the government must establish for itself for its own naval vessels large depots and dry docks and warehouses, and these may easily be enlarged so as to secure to the world public using the canal reasonable prices and a certainty that there will be no discrimination between those who wish to avail themselves of such facilities.

Tolls.

I renew my recommendation with respect to the tolls of the canal which within limits which shall seem wise to congress the power of fixing tolls is given to the president. In order to arrive at a proper conclusion there must be some experimenting, and this cannot be done if congress does not delegate the power to one who can act expeditiously.

I am very confident that the United States has the power to relieve from the payment of tolls any part of our shipping that congress deems wise. We own the canal. It was our money that built it. We have the right to charge tolls for its use. Those tolls must be the same to every one, but when we are dealing with our own

ships the practice of many governments of subsidizing their own merchant vessels is so well established in general that a subsidy equal to the tolls, an equivalent remission of tolls, cannot be held to be a discrimination in the use of the canal. The practice in the Suez canal makes this clear. The experiment in tolls to be made by the president would doubtless disclose how great a burden of tolls the coastwise trade between the Atlantic and the Pacific coast could bear without preventing its usefulness in competition with the transcontinental railroads. One of the chief reasons for building the canal was to set up this competition and to bring the two shores closer together as a practical trade problem.

The Philippine Islands.

In respect to the Philippines, I urgently join in the recommendation of the secretary of war that the act of Feb. 6, 1905, limiting the indebtedness that may be incurred by the Philippine government for the construction of public works, be increased from \$5,000,000 to \$15,000,000. The finances of that government are in excellent condition. The maximum sum mentioned is quite low as compared with the amount of indebtedness of other governments with similar resources, and the success which has attended the expenditure of the \$5,000,000 in the useful improvements of the harbors and other places in the islands justifies and requires additional expenditures for like purposes.

I also join in the recommendation that the legislature of the Philippine Islands be authorized to provide for the naturalization of Filipinos and others who by the present law are treated as aliens, so as to enable them to become citizens of the Philippine Islands.

Pending an investigation by congress at its last session through one of its committees into the disposition of the friars' lands Secretary Dickinson directed that the friars' lands should not be sold in excess of the limits fixed for the public lands until congress should pass upon the subject or should have concluded its investigation. This order has been an obstruction to the disposition of the lands, and I expect to direct the secretary of war to return to the practice under the opinion of the attorney general which will enable us to dispose of the lands much more promptly and to prepare a sinking fund with which to meet the \$7,000,000 of bonds issued for the purchase of the lands.

Rivers and Harbors.

The estimates for the river and harbor improvements reach \$32,000,000 for the coming year. I wish to urge that whenever a project has been adopted by congress as one to be completed the more money which can be economically expended in its construction in each year the greater the ultimate economy. This has especially application to the improvement of the Mississippi river and its large branches. It seems to me that an increase in the amount of money now being annually expended in the improvement of the Ohio river which has been formally adopted by congress would be in the interest of the public. A similar change ought to be made during the present congress in the amount to be appropriated for the Missouri river. The engineers say that the cost of the improvement of the Missouri river from Kansas City to St. Louis in order to secure six feet as a permanent channel will reach \$20,000,000. There have been at least three recommendations from the chief of engineers that if the improvement be adopted \$2,000,000 should be expended upon it annually. I urgently recommend that the appropriation for this improvement be increased from \$600,000, as recommended now in the completion of a contract, to \$2,000,000 annually so that the work may be done in ten years.

Waterway From the Lakes to the Gulf.
The project for a navigable waterway from Lake Michigan to the mouth of the Illinois river and thence via the Mississippi to the gulf of Mexico is one of national importance. In view of the work already accomplished by the sanitary district of Chicago, an agency of the state of Illinois, which has constructed the most difficult and costly stretch of this waterway and made it an asset of the nation, and in view of the fact that the people of Illinois have authorized the expenditure of \$20,000,000 to carry this waterway sixty-two miles farther to Utica, I feel that it is fitting that this work should be supplemented by the government and that the expenditures recommended by the special board of engineers on the waterway from Utica to the mouth of the Illinois river be made upon lines which, while providing a waterway for the nation, should otherwise benefit that state to the fullest extent.

I recommend that the term of service of said special board of engineers be continued and that it be empowered to reopen the question of the treatment of the lower Illinois river.

The Department of Justice.
The report of the attorney general shows that he has subjected to close examination the accounts of the clerks of the federal courts, that he has found a good many which disclose irregularities or dishonesty, but that he has had considerable difficulty in securing an effective prosecution or removal of the clerks thus derelict. I am certainly not unduly prejudiced against the federal courts, but the fact is that the long and confidential relations which grow out of the tenure for life on the part of the judge and the practical tenure for life on the part of the clerk are not calculated to secure the strictness of dealing by the judge with the clerk in respect to his fees and accounts which assures in the clerk's conduct a freedom from overcharges or carelessness.

The suggestion that we have a gen-

eral parcel post has awakened great opposition on the part of some who think that it will have the effect to destroy the business of the country storekeeper. Instead of doing this, I think the change will greatly increase business for the benefit of all. The reduction in the cost of living it will bring about ought to make its coming certain.

The Navy Department.

The 2d of November last I reviewed the fighting fleet of battleships and other vessels assembled in New York harbor, consisting of twenty-four battleships, two armored cruisers, two cruisers, twenty-two destroyers, twelve torpedo boats, eight submarines and other attendant vessels, making ninety-eight vessels of all classes of a tonnage of 576,634 tons. Those who saw the fleet were struck with its preparedness and with its high military efficiency. All Americans should be proud of its personnel.

The fleet was deficient in the number of torpedo destroyers, in cruisers and in colliers as well as in large battleship cruisers.

The building plan for this year contemplates two battleships and two colliers. This is because the other and smaller vessels can be built much more rapidly in case of emergency than the battleships, and we certainly ought to continue the policy of two battleships a year until after the Panama canal is finished and until in our first line and in our reserve line we can number forty available vessels of proper armament and size.

The reorganization of the navy and the appointment of four aids to the secretary have continued to demonstrate their usefulness.

In promotion of the movement for the prevention of delay and unnecessary cost in litigation I am glad to say that the supreme court has taken steps to reform the present equity rules of the federal courts and that we may in the near future expect a revision of them which will be a long step in the right direction.

Postoffice.

At the beginning of the present administration in 1909 the postal service was in arrears to the extent of \$17,479,770.47. It was very much the largest deficit on record. In the brief space of two years this has been turned into a surplus of \$220,000, which has been accomplished without curtailment of the postal facilities, as may be seen by the fact that there have been established 3,744 new postoffices, delivery by carrier has been added to the service in 183 cities, 2,516 new rural routes have been established, covering 60,000 miles; the force of postal employees has been increased in these two years by more than 8,000, and their average annual salary has had a substantial increase.

On Jan. 3, 1911, postal savings depositories were established experimentally in forty-eight states and territories. After three months' successful operation the system was extended as rapidly as feasible to the 7,500 postoffices of the first, second and third classes constituting the presidential grade. By the end of the year practically all of these will have been designated, and then the system will be extended to all fourth class postoffices doing a money order business.

I urge upon congress the necessity for an immediate increase of 2,000 men in the enlisted strength of the navy, provided for in the estimates. Four thousand more are now needed to man all the available vessels. There are in the service today about 47,750 enlisted men of all ratings. Careful computation shows that in April, 1912, 49,166 men will be required for vessels in commission, and 3,000 apprentice seamen should be kept under training at all times.

The secretary of the navy has recommended the abolition of certain of the smaller and unnecessary navy yards and in order to furnish a complete and comprehensive report has referred the question of all navy yards to the joint board of the army and navy. This board will shortly make its report, and the secretary of the navy advises me that his recommendations on the subject will be presented early in the coming year. * * *

For the consideration of matters which are pending or have been disposed of in the agricultural department and in the department of commerce and labor I refer to the very excellent reports of the secretaries of those departments.

The president promises later messages on conservation in Alaska, second class mail rates and economy and efficiency in the departments. He also approves pensions for retired government employees, but thinks the employees themselves should contribute to the pension fund.]

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Dec 94 1/4 94 1/2 S 94 94

May 98 3/8 98 3/8 98 3/8

July 94 1/4 94 1/4 93 3/8 93 3/8

Corn

Dec 64 64 63 3/8 63 1/2

May 65 1/4 65 1/4 64 1/4 64 1/4

July 65S 65S 64 1/2 S 64 1/2

Oats

Dec 46 3/4 46 3/4 46 3/4 46 3/4

May 48 3/8 48 3/8 47 3/8 47 3/8

July 45 1/4 45 1/4 44 3/8 44 3/8

Pork

Jan 1557 1557 1557 1557

May 1612 1612 1602 1602

Lard

Jan 917 920 915 917

May 942 945 940S 940

Rib

Jan 832 835 830 830

May 862 865 860 860

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TAFT CONSIDERS WOOL SCHEDULE

Transmits Findings of Tariff Board to Congress.

ADVISES DOWNWARD REVISION

Investigating Body States Belief that Most Articles Enumerated Under Schedule K Are Taxed at Too High Duty Rate.

Washington, Dec. 21.—Congress has received President Taft's long awaited message on the wool schedule of the Payne-Aldrich tariff law, together with the tariff board's report on this subject.

The findings of the tariff board justify President Taft's characterization of the present wool schedule as "unfeasible." He declares in his message that the report of the board shows ample reason for the revision downward of schedule K in accordance with the protective principle, and he accordingly recommends that such revision be proceeded with at once.

The report of the tariff board holds that practically all items in the wool schedule of the Payne-Aldrich law are taxed at a rate of duty higher than that which represents the difference of cost of production here and abroad. This is true of raw wool as well as all manufactures of wool. There are only four items in the Payne-Aldrich woolen schedule the duties on which permit their importation into this country. These are raw wool, men's wearing apparel of very fine quality, light weight dress goods for women and oriental rugs. Not only this but the tariff board finds that the method of assessing duties under the present tariff law is faulty to the extreme and operates to exclude importation of certain classes of foreign wool which might be used to displace substitutes now used in this country.

The tariff board itself makes no recommendation as to the rates of duty that should be levied on raw wool or any of its manufactured products. It has no authority to make such recommendations and merely presents its finding. The president does not attempt to name definite rates. It is possible to deduce from the tariff board's report what rates it regards as warranted on the showing of the difference of cost in producing between this and other countries.

DELAY PACKERS' TRIAL

Attorneys for Defense File Motions to Quash.

Levy Mayer States that Motion Will Be Made to Order Verdict Favorable to Defendants.

Chicago, Dec. 21.—A motion to strike out counts two and three of the indictment, charging the ten Chicago packers with criminal violation of the Sherman anti-trust law, and a second motion to disregard certain other allegations as not coming within the three year period, forced a sudden postponement of the trial before Judge Carpenter.

The presentation of the motions came as a surprise to the government. When the afternoon session of court convened Levy Mayer, packers' counsel, offered the motions. It had been expected that the defendants' counsel would make their opening statements.

Mr. Mayer stated that at a later date a motion will be presented to the court to take the case from the jury and order a verdict in favor of the defendants.

TAFT MAY OFFER MEDIATION

President Is Considering Acting in the Turkish-Ionian War.

New York, Dec. 21.—President Taft, at the suggestion of Dr. Lyman Abbott and Dr. Mary Eddy, an American woman who has spent many years in Turkey, took under advisement the tendering of the good offices of United States as mediator in the Turkish-Ionian war.

Under The Hague agreement any nation may tender its services as mediator to settle an international dispute

Veteran Actress Is Dead.

New York, Dec. 21.—Rose Eytting, who was an associate of Edwin Booth, J. W. and Lester Wallack and E. L. Davenport and was a friend of the prominent actors and actresses of later generations, died in the Brunswick home, Amityville, L. I., where she has been in the care of the actors' fund of America.

Finds Son Dead, Dies Also.

Moorhead, Minn., Dec. 21.—Mrs. A. Knutson, living north of town, went to her attorney and made a will leaving a small fortune to her son, who apparently was well when she left the house. Returning home, she found him dead. Mrs. Knutson fell in a faint and died in a few minutes as a result of the shock.

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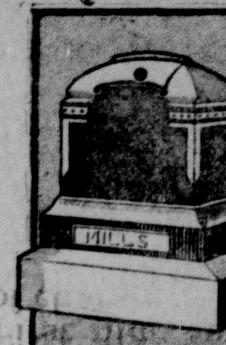
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